

# Claims

- [c1] 1.A carrier for transporting equipment, said carrier comprising:  
a vehicle having at least one carrier surface;  
at least one elongated frame member mounted on said at least one carrier surface;  
a slot formed in said at least one elongated frame member; and  
equipment mounting hardware mounted to said slot on said at least one elongated frame member.
- [c2] 2.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said at least one carrier surface includes:  
a roof top on said vehicle.
- [c3] 3.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said at least one carrier surface includes:  
a truck bed on said vehicle.
- [c4] 4.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said at least one carrier surface includes:  
a rear vehicle surface.
- [c5] 5.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said at least one carrier surface includes:a trunk lid surface.

- [c6] 6.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said slot includes:  
a C shaped slot.
- [c7] 7.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said slot includes:  
a C shaped slot; and  
a spring nut contained in said C shaped slot for attaching said equipment mounting hardware to said elongated frame member.
- [c8] 8.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said equipment mounting hardware includes:sports equipment mounting hardware.
- [c9] 9.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said equipment mounting hardware includes:  
cargo mounting hardware.
- [c10] 10.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said equipment mounting hardware includes:  
at least one hook for attaching cargo securing devices.
- [c11] 11.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said equipment mounting hardware includes:  
at least one loop for attaching cargo securing devices.
- [c12] 12.The carrier of claim 1 wherein said equipment mounting hardware includes:  
hardware for attaching a compartment to said elongated

frame member.